



Unit Training Schedule for July 2001

14-15 July 2001

0730 – Opening Formation

Note: Check with your First Line Supervisor for drill location. The 12th Battalion will be at Fort Leavenworth for their Annual Training.



6th Bde Unit Numbers: Soldiers may be reached at (785) 267-6243, Ext. 244 during drill weekends. The toll free number during the week-end is 888-826-4940.

Mr. Wenger Ext 250
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BUCKLE UP FOR SAFETY...IT'S THE LAW!

BY SFC WEBB

In Kansas, as in most states, it is the law to fasten your seat belt. It is also Army policy.

Statistics show that seat belts save more than 9,500 lives per year and traffic related injuries are the leading cause of injury deaths in America. Wearing seat belts reduces injury or deaths by 45%. It does not matter if you are just going around the block or across country, the importance of that one-second click of a buckle can save your life or the life of someone else.

In April, Col Schumm was involved in an automobile accident while on assignment in St. Louis,

MO. Fortunately his injuries were not severe and he was treated and released. His car, not so lucky, it was totaled.



COL Schumm's car after his accident!

Since he was hit from behind, he could have been thrown from his car or through the front windshield had he not been wearing his seat belt.

With annual training just around the corner, many of us will be in our cars and on the roads more than we normally would be. Obey the traffic laws, stay within the speed limits, NEVER drink and drive and ALWAYS wear your seat belt. Remember, it's the law, and its Army policy. **Are you willing to bet your life on it?**



COMMANDER'S CORNER

BY COL WALTER SCHUMM



It is with special pride that I report that the 11th Battalion (CGSC), has been selected by the Reserve Officers Association as the best unit for its size in the Army Reserve and Army National Guard for this year. The battalion commander, our former S3, LTC



Ken Jones, will accept the award on July 6th from MG Robert Silverthorn in Albuquerque, NM at the ROA meeting there. This significant award was only possible because of the dedication, devotion, and skilled technical support provided by the personnel in Brigade

HQ—meaning all of YOU. Thanks!

Of course, we begin our summer annual training cycle on June 11th. As usual, AT is one of our best times to help support our units. However, if you have time, work with your supervisor to take advantage of visiting the li-

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brary at Fort Leavenworth, or some of the local historical sites. There is a self-guided tour available for the post that may be taken on foot or by car. If there is interest, a tour of the Disciplinary Barracks at Fort Leavenworth may be possible. Thanks for all of your support during AT!

Remember, you can earn 90 total IDT retirement points through drill attendance and 15 from membership each year. This leaves you a chance to earn

twenty-seven additional points from correspondence courses, RMA's, and drilling for points only. Please check your summary of retirement points and work with Ms. Condon (ext. 245) to make corrections, if needed. Retired pay...it's your future!

To find out more about retirement points and to calculate yours, go to www.2xcitizen.usar.army.mil/soldiersservices/retirement.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to SFC Wenger, SFC Johnson, SFC Webb and SFC Pence for their completion of ANCOC Phase 1.

All four individuals traveled to Salina for 6 months starting in November 2000 to complete the phase. SFC Johnson received honors by scoring in the top 5% of her class on the final exam.

Phase 2 for the sol-



L to R: SFC Wenger, SFC Johnson, SFC Webb. SFC Pence not pictured.

diers will continue this summer at Salina, except for SFC Pence, who is exempt from the 2nd Phase because of her MOS (97V, Retention Recruiter). "I'm glad that I only have to take the first phase, comments SFC Pence. "I am now ANCOC certified."

The other three soldiers will be taking Phase 2 in the 75H MOS. Good Luck!

WELCOME TO THE 6TH BRIGADE



In May, SPC Sonja Pfeifer transferred to us from the Army National Guard where she spent the last three

years. Prior to the joining the guard, Pfeifer spent four of active duty with the Navy. Her decision to stay in the Reserves came from an enlistment bonus and a desire to receive a 20-year letter.

Pfeifer, a resident of Alma, KS is married and has two children, Sydney and Oakley. At this time, she is a stay at home mom.

With her experience and knowledge in the administration field, Pfeifer will be a valuable asset to the S-1 Section. Welcome!

We would like to welcome to the unit SSG Terrance Fields. Fields comes to the 6th Bde from the 320th OD BN in Lincoln, NE. He will be assigned to our S-4 section and will assist our supply area.

Fields has been in the Reserves over seventeen

years. He lives in Leavenworth, KS with his 3 year old son. Fields is currently a Transportation Consultant. Welcome to the Bde.



REMAINING FY 2001 DRILL DATES

14-15 Jul

11-12 Aug

8-9 Sep

These Dates are subject to change

[2001 AT Drill Dates](#)

11-29 June -11th Bn

14-28 July -12 Bn

Congratulations to:

Ron White was promoted to SSG.

Alma Whitelaw was promoted to CPT. (See next month's Metzinger for complete story)

SFC Jeff VonFeldt has re-enlisted for 6 more years. He has a total of 18 years.

CPT Shields is named HHD Commander. He is looking forward to the challenge and will stress the importance of Family Support during his tenure.

Logon to www.usarc.army.mil/6bde_95div to view the latest and past Metzingers

MAJOR MCCARTHY CONTINUES FATHER'S LEGACY

Article submitted by MAJ McCarthy to 95th Division. You can also view the entire article on the Brigade website w/pics for the May 2001 Spotlight. Go to www.usarc.mil.army/6Bde_95Div.

October 1944: One month after arriving in France with the 95th Infantry Division, 22 year old MSG Daniel F. McCarthy IV moved with his unit to the battlefield front lines, preparing to transition to combat against the Germans occupying the city of Metz in the Alsace Lorraine area of France. MSG McCarthy was the Regimental Supply Sergeant for Service Company, 377th Infantry Regiment, 95th Infantry Division. The division would soon come under heavy fire, yet manage to capture Metz, push into Germany, take part in the Battle of the Bulge and play a significant role in defeating the Germans in WWII. Capturing the heavily fortified city of Metz was a significant military achievement; it was a feat that had not been accomplished by any Army since the Huns in 451 AD.

October 2000: 37-year-old MAJ Daniel F. McCarthy V joins the 6th Bde, 95th Division. "Not quite as dramatic, but still a contribution in the service to our nation," said MAJ McCarthy, who recently joined the 95th Division to continue the legacy that began with his father 56 years earlier. "When I was little, I used to play army with my dad's jacket on. I would see the 95ID patch all the time because I was wearing that jacket so often. That was some 30 years ago."

As the years passed, Dan McCarthy V enlisted in the Army, joining the KS Army National Guard before becoming an officer a few years later. MAJ McCarthy had been a member of the National Guard for 15 years before joining the 95th Division, a USAR unit. "Last year, I was surprised to meet another soldier at a military installation wearing the 95th Division patch and even more surprised to discover that the Headquarters of one of the 95th Division subordinate units (6th Bde) was only two miles from my parents house!"

After completing his obligations with his Guard unit, MAJ McCarthy specifically requested a transfer from the KS Army National Guard to the 95th Division. "It was an opportunity to be in the same unit my father was in during WWII, and for my dad to see me in his unit. Only this time I would wear my own uniform with the 95 Division patch!"

A couple of months before joining the 95th Division, MAJ McCarthy had the opportunity to attend the August 2000 95th Infantry Division Association Reunion in Ft. Mitchell, Kentucky with his parents. At the reunion, his father was able to see many of the men that served with him during the war and even recognized one of them. "My dad would tell

me stories about WWII through the years," MAJ McCarthy noted, "and it was great to meet the men that were actually there with him, and to hear the stories they tell. The hardships that my dad and his fellow soldiers endured were incredible." BG Silverthorn, the current commander of the 95th

Division, was at the reunion and spoke of the heroes present. "He spoke of those that answered the nation's call and went to war," recalled MAJ McCarthy. "My father was there. It is an honor to be able to wear

the same patch and be in the same unit that he and his fellow soldiers were in. I am proud to be in the 95th Division."



MSG Dan McCarthy IV, with son, MAJ Dan McCarthy V.

6th Brigade Birthdays May/June:

May

SGT Edward Hawks - 5th
CPT Terri Wollenberg - 11th
CPT Alma Whitelaw - 31st

June

SGT Jessie Mayfield - 12th
SSG Robin Mathews - 27th
MAJ Spike Dolan - 21st

